



Newton St. Cyres Primary School Newsletter

31st March 2017

EXECUTIVE HEADTEACHER - MR JOLLIFFE

SPRING TERM 2 WEEK 26 2016/2017

FROM MR JOLLIFFE

It's been another busy week with lots of great musical, artistic and creative skills being showcased in various events at all three schools. This morning we had our termly Federation Assembly, held at Thorverton this time, and it was really good to see all the children together in one place to share the work that they have been doing over the last few weeks in the run up to Easter. I particularly appreciated the confidence of the children in Class 2 at Newton St Cyres who helped me to tell the Easter story, which we have been learning about together on Tuesday afternoons. We also said our final 'thank you and goodbye' to Mrs Veda Dymond, who is retiring after 30 years in the school office at Thorverton. This was an opportunity for all the children to thank her for her service over all those years and wish her well as she embarks on a new stage of life.

Finally, I hope that you all have a lovely Easter holiday and are able to enjoy some good weather and time together. Don't forget term starts for everyone on Tuesday 18th April and I look forward to seeing everyone back at school then.

Dear Parents and Guardians,

As we approach the Easter holidays it has been great to reflect on a fantastic term at Newton St. Cyres. There has been some brilliant learning going on and it's been very rewarding to see how much progress the children have been making. This week it was great seeing so many of you at our spring concert. The children thoroughly enjoyed sharing their work and songs and I would like to thank them and the staff again for all the hard work they put in.

On Thursday, the children had a great time creating their copper trails on the PE mats. There has been some great competitions between the different houses and some fantastic amounts raised as well. On Friday the children headed to Thorverton for a full federation assembly. Class 1 shared their Easter Bunny song and class 2 read the Easter story. Class 3 and 4 shared their song Supermum and the other federation schools also shared some work. Afterwards, the children had a play together and it was good to see some strong relationships being built across the federation.

This afternoon, the key stage 2 children will be testing their egg mobiles in the playground. There have been some fantastic designs and it will be fascinating to see which one will travel and furthest (and keep their egg in one piece). We will be awarding the prizes for the egg mobiles during our celebration assembly and also the Easter bonnets which were equally as well designed.

After the Easter holidays, there are a few weeks before SATS begin for the year 6 and year 2 children and more information about those will be sent out nearer the time. Residential are also starting and final information has now been sent regarding the year 4 residential to Beam House. The other residential are in the process of being finalised, so look out for more information regarding those as well.

It leaves me to wish you all a fantastic Easter break and I look forward to seeing you all next term.

James Akhurst
Head of School

BIRTHDAYS

Wishing the following children, a tremendous birthday...**HAPPY BIRTHDAY!**

Jessica, Ruby, Ash, Melody and Daniel



STAR AWARDS

A huge well done to all the children who received star awards this week:

Class 1- Reuben – Trying really hard and using his sounds

Class 2 – Evie – Perserving and solving really tricky fractions

Class 3 - Nathan – Fantastic attitude towards improving his handwriting

Class 4 – Harry – Fantastic effort in maths



AFTER SCHOOL CLUBS

Monday – Class 2, 3 & 4 Learning Club 3:20 – 4:30 Mr Hamidullah & Mrs. Wilkinson

Tuesdays Key Stage Two Football – 3:20-5:00 Mr Akhurst

LUNCHTIME CLUBS

Tuesday- Revision Club for Y6 children 12.45-1.15pm run by Mr. Akhurst

Wednesday – Recorder Club Class 2 12.45-1.00 run by Mrs Dunn

Friday- Revision Club for Y6 children 12.45-1.15pm run by Mrs. Theedom

Friday – Choir for Y1 up 12.45 run by Mrs Fee

Thursday Breaktime – Tuck Shop

AFTER SCHOOL CLUB is available at Newton Nippers - daily up until 5pm. Please contact the Office for prices and availability.

DATES FOR YOUR DIARY

Tuesday 18th April – School returns for Summer Term

Tuesday 25th April - Bags2School will be collected.

Friday 5th May FANS committee meeting – *all welcome*

Monday 8th May – SATS Week

Wednesday 17th May – FANS Film Night

Year 3: Escot from Monday 22nd May to Tuesday 23rd May [led by Mr Kersey]

Year 4: Beam House from Wednesday 26th April to Friday 28th April [led by Mr Akhurst]

Year 5: New Barn, Dorchester from Wednesday 7th June to Friday 9th June [led by Mr Jolliffe and Mrs Parkes]

Year 6: Grenville House from Friday 9th June to Mondy 12th June [led by Mrs Harris]

Friday 26th May – last day of half term

Tuesday 6th June – School returns (Monday 5th is a staff training day)

Wednesday 26th July – last day of term

Tuesday 5th September – Autumn Term starts (Monday 4th is a staff training day)

COLLECTIVE WORSHIP FOR THE SUMMER TERM

In our assemblies next term we will be starting a series looking at 12 different values. Over the next two years we will cover all sorts of different aspects of what it means to grow and develop character, looking at values such as trust, truthfulness, compassion and generosity. Next term we will be focusing on service and Mr Jolliffe will be launching the new programme across all three schools on Tuesday 18th April. The themes are very broad and flexible so we will continue to include other ideas that are relevant to each school. We will also be able to link our assemblies to the PSHE curriculum and class discussions.

PRESCHOOL REPORT



This week the children did an amazing job singing at the spring concert with class 1, and we showed off samples of our spring art work we had created during the term.

We had a very special visitor yesterday, the Easter bunny came to visit the preschool. The children had great fun searching for yummy Easter eggs. Today we are ending the term making chocolate Easter nests!

Our topic next term will be "What is a shadow?"

Some of the exciting subjects we will be exploring are shadows, silhouettes, nocturnal animals and night and day.

We would really appreciate any of the following items so we can provide the children with some interesting activities

We are looking for

- Torches and head torches, which must be in good working order
- Glow in the dark stars
- White fairy lights, which are battery operated.

I hope you all have a lovely Easter holiday

Shelley Choudhury- Deputy Manager



Newton St Cyres Copper

Trail 2017





The next BAG2SCHOOL collection will be on

Tuesday 25th April

Bag2School is a company that specialises in good quality second hand clothing that can be re-used. All bags of donated clothes are weighed and the school is paid for the total weight collected.

The following can be donated: good quality adults' and children's clothing, paired shoes, hats, belts, handbags, ties and soft toys.

This is a great opportunity to sort through your wardrobe and get rid of your unwanted clothes!

Please bring your donations direct to school before gam on 25th April

Thank you for any support you are able to give!

Any bag can be used



The Bill Douglas
**CINEMA
MUSEUM**

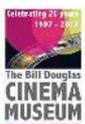


Family Fun Day

Tuesday 11th April 2017 10.30am - 3.30pm

A free drop in activity day for 5 - 11 year olds and their families. Make flick books, shadow puppets, badges and film clapperboards. Explore the museum, complete our quiz and join in with our collaborative group animation to celebrate our 20th anniversary!

Contact us for further details at bdc@exeter.ac.uk or 01392 724321
The Bill Douglas Cinema Museum, University of Exeter,
Old Library, Prince of Wales Road, Exeter, EX4 4SB
All children must be accompanied at all times.



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**Tues 4th -
Fri 7th April
10am - 12 noon
5 - 11years**

**Free Admission
Contact no.459984**